

## HOTELS AND RESORTS.



## NEGRO'S SENTENCE IS THOUSAND YEARS

Texas Jury Asses Longest Prison Term Known in State for Attempted Assault on Woman—Crime Not Punishable by Death.

## REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Waco, Tex., June 23.—"We, the jury, find the defendant guilty as charged and fix his punishment at confinement in the State Penitentiary at one thousand and one years."

This was the verdict given by a jury of twelve representative citizens of this county in the case of Lee Robertson, a negro, charged with attempted criminal assault upon a white woman Wimber near the city.

The Judge charged the jury at 2:30 p.m., and at 2:45 it reported it had reached a verdict.

The offense was committed a little more than a week ago, and the negro victim is still in hospital.

## ARRESTED AFTER CHASE.

The negro was arrested after a long chase and then sent to the Sheriff for safe keeping. The Criminal Court in recess, and Judge Suratt of the City Court in this county convened Grand Jury to hear the testimony taken by the grand jury who had been present at the trial, and the negro was secured the same day to trial, the alleged victim being the principal witness.

The attorney appointed by the court to take up the case was witness to the trial and went to the jury after the court had given an exhaustive charge.

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## PEORIA WILL HAVE WOODMEN IN 1906

Illinois City Wins From Buffalo in Spirited Fight—Fraternal Congress in New York Is Indorsed.

Milwaukee, June 23.—The head camp of the Modern Woodmen of America today forced the plan for a fraternal conference to be held soon in New York City for the purpose of bringing to the attention of the public the advantages of fraternal insurance over old-line insurance.

At a hot July, Peoria, Ill., was selected as the place for holding the next session of the head camp. Modern Woodmen of America, Buffalo, was the strongest contingent.

The convention voted that the per capita tax to meet the general expenses of the organization should be raised.

The convention also decided to make no changes in salaries of officials.

An elaborate dinner parade and a car cavalcade were features of today's entertainment.

The law on the liquor question was modified so that keepers of speakeasies may be licensed to brew beer and soft drinks and proprietors of department stores who sell beer in grocery back rooms may be licensed in the insurance.

## DETECTIVES INVESTIGATING CASE OF ABDENT GIRL

Coca-Cola Bottler Believes He Has Discovered New Evidence In Gitter-Two Officers Assigned.

Two young police officers were de-tailed to the office of the coroner last night to investigate the recent death of Mrs. Gitter, which it is believed, may lead to an explanation of the mysterious disappearance of Clara Gitterman of New York City.

Clara Gitterman, missing since January 25, has not received as much attention from the department as ever had her family.

She was only 15 years old, and it was stated that at her disappearance she left home because she was nervous but became ill and was unable to return home.

A delegation of detective members of the New York City police force, including Captain John D. Williams, went to the Lehigh Valley to search for a lead near her home.

## POISON VICTIM RETICENT.

Arsenic and Mercury Sufferer Refuses to Talk to Police.

Miller Rose, 26 years old, who swallowed a solution of arsenic and mercury, refused to talk to his doctor yesterday.

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## FAIR DIPLOMAS ARE ISSUED.

Commemorative Tokens Received by Three Exposition Workers.

Notifications of awards of commemorative diplomas and medals by the World's Fair are being received by those firms connected with the Exposition, who have been selected by the Superior Jury.

Among these have been granted to the various interest and educational organizations in the Universal Exposition of Chicago, Illinois, and to Special Agents to the secretary, John W. Dunn, collector, and E. H. Koch, assistant to the director of exhibits.

## FORMER POLICE CHIEF DIES.

Charles M. Carpenter Passes Away in East St. Louis.

Charles M. Carpenter, 60 years old, former Chief of Police of East St. Louis, and a well-known citizen of that city, died at his home, No. 1200 Cleveland avenue, yesterday morning.

He failed to be in Paris about July 4, which he will participate in the activities of John Paul Jones, the Frenchman, to Cherbourg, preliminary to their transportation to the United States by American ship.

## HURT WRECKING LINDELL.

Laborer Falls From Wall and Is Badly Injured.

While at work on the wrecking of the old Lindell Hotel, shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Michael Cunningham, a laborer, 36 years old, living at the Maple Hotel, Third and O'Fallon streets, lost his balance and fell a distance of about seven feet.

He received a scalp wound, and his right side was seriously injured. Doctor John C. Moore, of the medical corps, who arrived for him, said he was to be returned to the stable unassisted.

He sustained property damage, which he expected to be repaired by the insurance company.

The insurance company, however, who agreed to the passage of a franchise on

## HAPPENINGS IN ILLINOIS CITIES AND TOWNS

## BELLEVILLE DOCTOR IN DETECTIVE ROLE

J. B. Massie, a Physician of West End, Locates His Shirt on Negro, Who Confesses to Theft.

Power of deduction possessed by Doctor J. G. Massie of the West End, Belleville, assisted yesterday morning, in capturing the negro burglar who had entered his home, had concealed his bedroom and stolen his shirt, a gold watch and chain and a few dollars in silver.

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Grand Jury Fails to Find Cause for Action and Makes Report—Charge Filed That It Was Irregularly Impaneled.

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Joplin, Mo., June 23.—The Grand Jury summoned to investigate the conduct of Mayor Lyon, Prosecuting Attorney Andrews and City Marshal Weaver of Joplin, made a report to-day, exonerating them all.

The charge is being made by some that it was a "whitewash."

The special Grand Jury was summoned last Monday on motion of Attorney W. Jones of Joplin to investigate the office of the City Marshal of Jasper County in relation to Sunday closing of saloons.

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